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**Committee Bill No. 6566**

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Introduced by:  
(VA)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE DOMICILE REQUIREMENT FOR WAIVER  
OF TUITION AT STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 10a-77 of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3 *1, 2005*):

4 (d) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition at any  
5 of the regional community-technical colleges (1) for any dependent  
6 child of a person whom the armed forces of the United States has  
7 declared to be missing in action or to have been a prisoner of war  
8 while serving in such armed forces after January 1, 1960, which child  
9 has been accepted for admission to such institution and is a resident of  
10 Connecticut at the time such child is accepted for admission to such  
11 institution, (2) for any veteran having served in time of war, as defined  
12 in subsection (a) of section 27-103, or who served in either a combat or  
13 combat support role in the invasion of Grenada, October 25, 1983, to  
14 December 15, 1983, the invasion of Panama, December 20, 1989, to  
15 January 31, 1990, or the peace-keeping mission in Lebanon, September  
16 29, 1982, to March 30, 1984, who has been accepted for admission to

17 such institution and is [a resident of Connecticut] domiciled in this  
18 state at the time such veteran is accepted for admission to such  
19 institution, (3) for any resident of Connecticut sixty-two years of age or  
20 older, provided, at the end of the regular registration period, there are  
21 enrolled in the course a sufficient number of students other than those  
22 persons eligible for waivers pursuant to this subdivision to offer the  
23 course in which such person intends to enroll and there is space  
24 available in such course after accommodating all such students, (4) for  
25 any student attending the Connecticut State Police Academy who is  
26 enrolled in a law enforcement program at said academy offered in  
27 coordination with a regional community-technical college which  
28 accredits courses taken in such program, (5) for any active member of  
29 the Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) is [a resident of  
30 Connecticut] domiciled in this state, (B) has been certified by the  
31 Adjutant General or such Adjutant General's designee as a member in  
32 good standing of the guard, and (C) is enrolled or accepted for  
33 admission to such institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an  
34 undergraduate degree-granting program, (6) for any dependent child  
35 of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or supernumerary  
36 or auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in section 7-323j, or  
37 member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal employee, or (D)  
38 state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in the line of duty,  
39 and (7) for any resident of the state who is a dependent child or  
40 surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of  
41 this state. If any person who receives a tuition waiver in accordance  
42 with the provisions of this subsection also receives educational  
43 reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be reduced by the  
44 amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans described in  
45 subdivision (2) of this subsection and members of the National Guard  
46 described in subdivision (5) of this subsection shall be given the same  
47 status as students not receiving tuition waivers in registering for  
48 courses at regional community-technical colleges. Notwithstanding the  
49 provisions of section 10a-30, as used in this subsection, "domiciled in  
50 this state" includes domicile for less than one year.

51 Sec. 2. Subsection (d) of section 10a-99 of the general statutes is  
52 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
53 *1, 2005*):

54 (d) Said board shall waive the payment of tuition fees at the  
55 Connecticut State University system (1) for any dependent child of a  
56 person whom the armed forces of the United States has declared to be  
57 missing in action or to have been a prisoner of war while serving in  
58 such armed forces after January 1, 1960, which child has been accepted  
59 for admission to such institution and is a resident of Connecticut at the  
60 time such child is accepted for admission to such institution, (2) for  
61 any veteran having served in time of war, as defined in subsection (a)  
62 of section 27-103, or who served in either a combat or combat support  
63 role in the invasion of Grenada, October 25, 1983, to December 15,  
64 1983, the invasion of Panama, December 20, 1989, to January 31, 1990,  
65 or the peace-keeping mission in Lebanon, September 29, 1982, to  
66 March 30, 1984, who has been accepted for admission to such  
67 institution and is [a resident of Connecticut] domiciled in this state at  
68 the time such veteran is accepted for admission to such institution, (3)  
69 for any resident of Connecticut sixty-two years of age or older who has  
70 been accepted for admission to such institution, provided (A) such  
71 person is enrolled in a degree-granting program, or (B) at the end of  
72 the regular registration period, there are enrolled in the course a  
73 sufficient number of students other than those persons eligible for  
74 waivers pursuant to this subdivision to offer the course in which such  
75 person intends to enroll and there is space available in such course  
76 after accommodating all such students, (4) for any student attending  
77 the Connecticut Police Academy who is enrolled in a law enforcement  
78 program at said academy offered in coordination with the university  
79 which accredits courses taken in such program, (5) for any active  
80 member of the Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) is [a  
81 resident of Connecticut] domiciled in this state, (B) has been certified  
82 by the Adjutant General or such Adjutant General's designee as a  
83 member in good standing of the guard, and (C) is enrolled or accepted  
84 for admission to such institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an

85 undergraduate degree-granting program, (6) for any dependent child  
86 of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or supernumerary  
87 or auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in section 7-323j, or  
88 member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal employee, or (D)  
89 state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in the line of duty,  
90 and (7) for any resident of this state who is a dependent child or  
91 surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of  
92 the state. If any person who receives a tuition waiver in accordance  
93 with the provisions of this subsection also receives educational  
94 reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be reduced by the  
95 amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans described in  
96 subdivision (2) of this subsection and members of the National Guard  
97 described in subdivision (5) of this subsection shall be given the same  
98 status as students not receiving tuition waivers in registering for  
99 courses at Connecticut state universities. Notwithstanding the  
100 provisions of section 10a-30, as used in this subsection, "domiciled in  
101 this state" includes domicile for less than one year.

102 Sec. 3. Subsection (e) of section 10a-105 of the general statutes is  
103 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
104 *1, 2005*):

105 (e) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition fees at  
106 The University of Connecticut (1) for any dependent child of a person  
107 whom the armed forces of the United States has declared to be missing  
108 in action or to have been a prisoner of war while serving in such armed  
109 forces after January 1, 1960, which child has been accepted for  
110 admission to The University of Connecticut and is a resident of  
111 Connecticut at the time such child is accepted for admission to said  
112 institution, (2) for any veteran having served in time of war, as defined  
113 in subsection (a) of section 27-103, or who served in either a combat or  
114 combat support role in the invasion of Grenada, October 25, 1983, to  
115 December 15, 1983, the invasion of Panama, December 20, 1989, to  
116 January 31, 1990, or the peace-keeping mission in Lebanon, September  
117 29, 1982, to March 30, 1984, who has been accepted for admission to

118 said institution and is [a resident of Connecticut] domiciled in this  
119 state at the time such veteran is accepted for admission to said  
120 institution, (3) for any resident of Connecticut sixty-two years of age or  
121 older who has been accepted for admission to said institution,  
122 provided (A) such person is enrolled in a degree-granting program, or  
123 (B) at the end of the regular registration period, there are enrolled in  
124 the course a sufficient number of students other than those persons  
125 eligible for waivers pursuant to this subdivision to offer the course in  
126 which such person intends to enroll and there is space available in  
127 such course after accommodating all such students, (4) for any active  
128 member of the Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) is [a  
129 resident of Connecticut] domiciled in this state, (B) has been certified  
130 by the Adjutant General or such Adjutant General's designee as a  
131 member in good standing of the guard, and (C) is enrolled or accepted  
132 for admission to said institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an  
133 undergraduate degree-granting program, (5) for any dependent child  
134 of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or supernumerary  
135 or auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in section 7-323j, or  
136 member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal employee, or (D)  
137 state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in the line of duty,  
138 and (6) for any resident of the state who is the dependent child or  
139 surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of  
140 the state. If any person who receives a tuition waiver in accordance  
141 with the provisions of this subsection also receives educational  
142 reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be reduced by the  
143 amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans described in  
144 subdivision (2) of this subsection and members of the National Guard  
145 described in subdivision (4) of this subsection shall be given the same  
146 status as students not receiving tuition waivers in registering for  
147 courses at The University of Connecticut. Notwithstanding the  
148 provisions of section 10a-30, as used in this subsection, "domiciled in  
149 this state" includes domicile for less than one year.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10a-77(d)
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10a-99(d)
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	10a-105(e)

***Statement of Purpose:***

To clarify that qualified veterans and members of the state guard do not have to wait one year before qualifying for a waiver of tuition at The University of Connecticut, the Connecticut State University system or the regional community technical colleges.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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